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FLORIDA STATE DIRECTORY

Governor—W. S. Jennings.
Secretary of State—H. Clay Crawford.
Comptroller—A. C. Croom.
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DeSoto County Directory.

Judge Circuit Court—J. B. Wall.
Clerk Circuit Court—H. E. Carlton.
Sheriff—T. E. Fielder.
Tax Collector—J. R. Sandlin.
Tax Assessor—F. M. Cooper.
Treasurer—F. E. Parker.
County Judge—A. E. Foster.
Superintendent of Schools—M. F. Giddens.
Representative—R. E. Brown.

Punta Gorda Directory.

Mayor—A. C. Freeman.
Marshal—J. H. Bowman.
Clerk and Assessor—W. B. Hardee.
Collector—Chas. Smith.
Treasurer—W. A. Roberts.
Justice of the Peace—W. B. Hardee.
Council meets in regular session on the first Tuesday of each month.

Arrival and Departure of Mails.

Northern Mail—Arrives 1.50 a. m. daily departs 4.00 p. m. daily.
South Bound—Leaves Punta Gorda by boat for St. James, Sanibel, Punta Rassa and Myers at 7 a. m. daily except Sunday; returning arrives at 3 p. m.
Grove City and Englewood—Departs daily by boat at 7 a. m.; arrives at 2 p. m.
Charlotte Harbor and Harbor View—Departs daily by boat at 7 a. m.; arrives at 9.15 p. m.

JOSHUA MIZELL, Postmaster

Churches and Societies.

Episcopal Church, Rev. T. J. Purdum, rector. Services at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. on the first and third Sundays; Sunday school at 3.30 o'clock each Sunday afternoon.
Presbyterian—Rev. C. H. Ferran, pastor. Services second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday afternoon at 3.30. Prayer meeting 7.30 p. m. Thursdays.

Methodist—Rev. H. W. Joiner, pastor. Services at 7 p. m. every Sunday and at 11 a. m. on the first and third Sundays at the Punta Gorda church; Sunday school every Sunday 10 a. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening of each week. Epworth League meets every Sunday 3.30 p. m. Charlotte Harbor Methodist church—Services at 7 p. m. on second and fourth Sundays and at 7 p. m. on Saturdays previous.

Punta Gorda Baptist Church—Rev. J. E. McIntosh, pastor. Services every Sunday at 7.00 p. m. Sunday school at 8.00 p. m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night.

Seventh-day Adventist sabbath school 10 a. m. preaching 3 p. m. and 7 p. m. Bible study Wednesday 7 p. m. C. B. Stephenson, Elder.

Y. P. S. C. E.—Meets every Tuesday evening in the Presbyterian church at 7.30.

Masonic—Punta Gorda Lodge No. 115, F. & A. M. Meets on Friday before second Saturday of each month in Masonic hall. J. M. Samuel, W. M. R. L. Ernest, Sec.

Pythian—Tarpion Lodge No. 39, K. of P. Meets on Wednesday night of each week in Masonic hall. H. L. Blakely, C. C.; A. Roo, K. of R. & S.

Woodmen of the World—DuSoto Camp No. 19. Meets in Masonic hall second and fourth Thursdays. A. K. Demore, C. C.

Punta Gorda Brass Band—Meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights of each week. M. V. Williams Secretary.

A HEALTH POLICY

The system is, from natural causes, debilitated or run-down both in the spring and fall. The seasons' changes are always a tax on the human organism. The blood becomes impure in the spring, and vitality lags in the fall. A little care, a little assistance, and nature will do the rest, as it is always trying to maintain health. Frequently the weakest organ will show the most disorder, and this often leads to wrong treatment. For the debilitated conditions of spring or fall, or any other time, for that matter, the right thing to do is to build up the whole system. It is not your stomach, or liver, or nerves alone that cause the trouble; you are weakened all over and must have renewed strength and vitality. These you cannot get so quickly or surely or safely as by using

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DR. G. M. VINCENT

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Offers his professional services to the people of Punta Gorda and vicinity.

OFFICE: OVER ROBERTS' DRUG STORE.

Phone—Residence 66

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A. F. Dewey,

PUNTA GORDA, FLA.

HE SHOULD BE ELECTED.

EDITOR HERALD:—The candidacy

of Mr. A. C. Freeman, now mayor of

Punta Gorda, for county commission-

er, deserves the thoughtful consideration

of every taxpaying voter of De-

Soto county. The commissioner's du-

ties are of a nature that most inti-

mately affects the welfare and com-

fort of the people of the county. The

wise levy and expenditure of coun-

ty taxes conduce to the prosperity of

the community interested, more, per-

haps, than any other public adminis-

tration of business; and in the selec-

tion of suitable men, the scrutiny of

their abilities, habits and past rec-

ords should be very close.

Mr. Freeman's success in his pri-

rate business proves his ability in fi-

nancial matters. While his sense of

equity would probably prevent him

from becoming a millionaire, by the

fairest of methods in which no spec-

ulative features are involved, he has

made a fair progress towards a de-

cent competency. His management

of his own business proves him fitted

to be entrusted with county affairs.

His habits of business are well

known to the people of Punta Gorda.

Industrious, obliging and frugal, his

enterprises have grown to large pro-

portions. He has more than kept pace

with the town's development, and

now stands among Punta Gorda's

foremost citizens. Never seeking of-

fice, he has never refused to serve his

fellow citizens when they have called

upon him. Elected tax collector for

two terms, 1894 and 1895, he was in

the following year selected as a

member of the city council, when his

powers of administration were ex-

hibited, much to the advantage of the

town. The two succeeding years he

filled the position of city treasurer,

then elected Mayor, which place he

now fills.

Believing that the interests of De-

Soto county would be promoted by

electing him a commissioner, even as

Punta Gorda has been benefited by

his occupancy of places of trust and

power, his friends earnestly com-

mend him to the voters of the entire

county, in the firm assurance that his

share in the administration of county

affairs would be marked, should he

be elected, by enlightened judgment,

as well as by wise conservatism. He

would be an ideal commissioner, as

it is a position which needs precisely

the high qualities he has heretofore

displayed. Very respectfully,

S. H. H.

INDORSES THE SERMON.

The Importance of Raising Cattle in the

State of Florida.

The Leesburg Commercial says:

"There is a long, sound, profitable

sermon preached to the Florida farm-

er in the following excerpt from the

Jacksonville Metropolis:

"A fat beef will bring about as

much to the market as a bale of cot-

ton, and he can be produced on the

average Florida farm with one-tenth

the labor and one-half the cost. Farm-

ers might do well to try the experi-

ment."

"What more can be said? Does

not the statement of The Metropolis

settle the whole question of how

farming may be profitably conducted

in Florida? It has been said that

this is not a farming country—which

is not true—meaning that it is not a

corn and cotton State. But it is the

greatest beef producing country on

the earth, where the farmers grow

stock for market and fatten them on

velvet beans, a forage that grows here

like a weed and grows to perfection

nowhere else. With a product made

with one-tenth the labor and one-

half the cost of cotton, surely the

Florida farmer has nothing to com-

plain of. Another item that is vast-

ly important, that of the climate,

should not be lost sight of. The

stock-raiser of Florida does not have

the bitter cold of winter to contend

with that confronts the cattle men

of the North and West. Briefly, every

Florida farmer should grow beef cat-

tle and feed them on velvet beans."